

REMARKS

As an initial matter, the Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the careful search, and for finding allowable subject matter. The Applicants present herein amendments to claims 1, 7, 13, 15, 16, and 18. The amendments are to correct topographical errors and/or place the claims in proper form. The Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter these amendments.

Conclusion

In light of the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is hereby earnestly requested.

Invitation for a Telephone Interview

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney, Brent E. Vecchia, at 303-740-1980, if there remains any issue with allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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